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SCHOOL, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Considerable evidence indicates that meaningful involvement of parents, guardians, and other caregivers in the schooling of children improves the quality of education significantly. The Board of Education believes that closer connections of parents and others responsible for the home care of the children with our schools can result in enhanced academic performance, improved behavior, and reduced absenteeism.

Therefore, all parents, guardians, and caregivers of students enrolled in our school district are encouraged to take an active role in the education of their children.

Further, the Board of Education believes that the administration should take steps to facilitate a broad variety of opportunities for parents to connect frequently with the schools in which their children are enrolled, and with the overall system. Each option should:

- encourage strong home-based partnerships;
- provide for consistent and effective communication between the parents, guardians, and caregivers, and school officials;
- offer parents, guardians, and caregivers ways to assist and encourage their children to do their best;
- offer ways parents, guardians, and caregivers can support classroom learning activities; and
- provide opportunities for parents, guardians, and caregivers to have a voice in the planning and decision-making at both the school and district level.

In order to afford all parents, and caregivers opportunities for involvement in the educational process, activities and the scheduling of those activities must take into account the needs of working parents, guardians, and caregivers.

Some mechanisms that have been shown to be successful in fostering home-school connections are parent newsletters, open houses, parenting education workshops, parent-teacher organizations, parent forums, parent participation on school governing councils, parent participation on district and/or building committees and task forces, and classroom volunteerism.

Legal Conn. Gen. Stat. §10-221 Boards of Education to prescribe rules, policies, and procedures as amended by P.A. 97-290.

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